

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of §
Ran OREN et al § Confirmation No.: 9510
Serial No.: 10/591,341 § Group Art Unit: 3773
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AND CUTTING IMPLEMENT §
Examiner: Mark F. MASHACK § Our Ref: 32176

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AMENDMENT

Sir,

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed October 19, 2009, which response is being made on or before January 19, 2010, and for which no extension of time fees are due.

Applicant submits this response for entry into the record, in which:

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Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: